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This weekend October 28-29 CQWW SSB contest.

The CQ WW is the largest Amateur Radio competition in the world. Over 35,000 participants take to the airwaves on the last weekend of October (SSB) and November (CW) with the goal of making as many contacts with as many different DXCC entities and CQ Zones as possible.

News

E51JAN North Cook -update October 25

'Jan reports his amplifier arrived today and now hopes to give weaker stations an ATNO. Remember his amplifier never made it onto the aircraft to Manihiki a week ago due to weight limitations.'

T2C Tuvalu -update October 25

'We built a 30m and 40m upper outer antenna today because the vertical spiderbeam poles are on the way back to Germany [with half of the team]. QRM on 60m yesterday was extremely strong, sounds like a radar. We are approaching 100K QSOs.'

TX7L Marquesas Islands -update October 21

Didier, FO/F6BCW Didier has been operating from the island of Huahine for a few months but will stop broadcasting tomorrow so as to send his radio equipment, antennas, masts and other items to Hiva Oa in the Marquesas for upcoming **TX7L** DXpedition which takes place during November 4-19, 2023.



ZL7/SP5EAQ Chatham Islands -update

'10M and 12M are mostly populated by JA and USA stations, but have recently been opened to SA. Mysteriously, no propagation on 15M, but 17 and 20 work well. Conditions on 20 for Europe are very selective, but both LP and SP are OK (sometimes at the same time!). I tried activating 40m during SS/SR, but there wasn't a single QSO there.'

H40RH Temotu Province -update

Jun reports that due to flight cancellation, currently the schedule for this DXpedition is not clear. 'There might be several options to go to Temotu. Most probably I need to arrange it next week in Honiara to see the best option at that moment. Tentative schedule would be November 1-9 from Temotu.'

H44WA Solomon Islands -update October 23

'8 containers were delivered today to our QTH. Now for us all to board airplanes with our 3 radios, 3 amps, and 11 antennas, tools, etc. and get everything through customs on the other end, before our slow overland transport. We leave in 17 days. Last minute packing and list checking.'

TO8FH Mayotte -now QRT

The F6KOP DXpedition is now QRT with 75000 QSO's.



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This week on air

This can change daily, please visit https://www.dx-world.net/ for updates.

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

Ham Cruise

6Y, JAMAICA 6Y/K7PO

HP, PANAMA HP/K7PO/MM

ZF, CAYMAN ISL ZF2PO

30 Operators will embark the 8^{th} edition of the Ham Cruise. Starting on October 28 until November 4.

A2, BOTSWANA The Russian DXpedition Team with Vasily R7AL, Leo RW9JZ, Wlodek SP6EQZ, Vasily RA1ZZ, Slav OK8AU, Victor UA3QLC and Nick R5EC is QRV as A25RU until November 12. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, LoTW. https://www.rudxt.com/a25ru

A5, BHUTAN Abie, AB1F is operating as A52AA until October 27. Activity on 40, 20, 15 and 10

- meter using SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW. https://www.grz.com/db/A52AA
- **C6, BAHAMAS** Rich, NN2T is QRV as C6AXX until October 30 from Grand Bahama. QSL via home call, OQRS.
- **CEOY, EASTER ISL** Luis CE2ML and Mathias CE2LR are active as 3G0Y (CQWW SSB contest) and XR0Y until October 29. Operation on HF using mainly CW and SSB with some FT8. QSL for both calls via CE2ML.
- CT9, MADEIRA Helmut, DF7EE is once again QRV as CT9/call and CQ3W until October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB is included as CQ3W. QSL for both calls via Club Log.
- **E5, NORTH COOK ISL** Janusz, SP9FIH is active as E51JAN from Manihiki (OC-014) until November 6. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. https://e5n.dxpedtions.org/
- **E6, NIUE** Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM are operating as E6AM until October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.
- **FG, GUADELOUPE** Look once again for Philippe F1DUZ as FG4KH until November 7. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included. QSL via home call and LoTW.
- **FM, MARTINIQUE** FM5BH, FM5FJ, F5VHJ and M0MHQ (JA0JHQ)will be active from Martinique as TO5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29, 2023). QRV in M/2 Category. QSL: USA SASE via WA6WPG. Others via F5VHJ, LoTW, OQRS, REF Bureau.
- **J6, ST LUCIA** Look for J62K during the contest, before and after the contest the team will sign as J69DS and J68KC. QSL for J62K via K9HZ, others via home call.
- **JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 is once again operating on HF using CW with some FT8. QRV until end October. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.
- **JD1, OGASAWARA** Look for JD1BQP from Chichijima until November 2. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included, outside the contest active from 160 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call direct.
- **OX, GREENLAND** Bo, OZ1DJJ is back as OX3LX from Thule Air Base until November 1. Focus on HF with an entry in the CQWW SSB contest. QSL via OZ0J.
- **OY, FAROE ISL** Christian EA3NT, Col MM0NDX and Jonathan MM0OKG will be active during the CQWW DX SSB contest as OY6A. Before and after the contest as OY/calls. QSL for OY6A via LoTW.
- **P4, ARUBA** John, W2GD is once again active as P40W until October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest focus on WARC bands and 160 CW. QSL via LoTW or N2MM.
- **PJ5, ST EUSTATIUS** John, W5JON is once again operating as PJ5/call until October 31. Operation from 60 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.
- **PYOF, FERNANDO DE NORONHA** Renner, PY7RP is active as PY0FR until October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included as PS0F. Outside the contest operation on HF and 6 meter. QSL via LoTW or Club Log.
- **PZ, SURINAME** Renato, PY8WW is active as PZ5TW until November 3. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.
- **T2, TUVALU** The German DXpedition Team is operating as T2C until October 30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA and LoTW.
- Dxpedition Tuvalu T2C 2023 Welcome (mydx.de)
- **TJ, CAMEROON** The MDXC DXpedition team will be operating as TJ9MD during November 2 and November 15. The 13 skilled operators of the expeditionary team IZ8CCW, IZ2GNQ, F6IRA, OK2WX, AG4W, DL8JJ, IZ4COW, IU3PMA, HB9DHG, HB9TOC, ON7RN, IK5BOH and IZ4UEZ will be QRV round the clock from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. EME will be tried also. More to follow.
- **V4, ST KITTS** Ed, N2HX is active as V4/call until November 18. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included as V49R. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- **V6, MICRONESIA** Miki, JJ2CJB will be operating as V63CB during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 28-29). QSL via home call direct or LoTW.
- **V6, MICRONESIA** The Yokohama DX Club is QRV as V6SX from Chuuk until October 31. This to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the club's founding. An entry in the CQWW DX SSB contest is included as V6Y.
- **VP2M, MONTSERRAT** George, K2DM is QRV as VP2MDM until October 30. Operation mainly during the CQWW SSB contest. Outside the contest on HF using CQ and FT8. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.
- **VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS** Mark, WQ7X is once again active as VP5/call from Povidenciales until October 28. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.
- **VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS** A team with K4QPL, KU4V, NR4O and WK3T are QRV as VP5M during the CQWW SSB contest at the end of this month. Before / after the contest look for them as VP5/homecalls. QSL via LoTW.

XU, CAMBODIA Jaye, VK2SD is operating as XU7AME until around October 29. Operation mostly on 10 meter with a 2 element delta-loop.

YJ, VANUATU A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) are QRV from Port Vila until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME. https://www.dxobsessed.org/

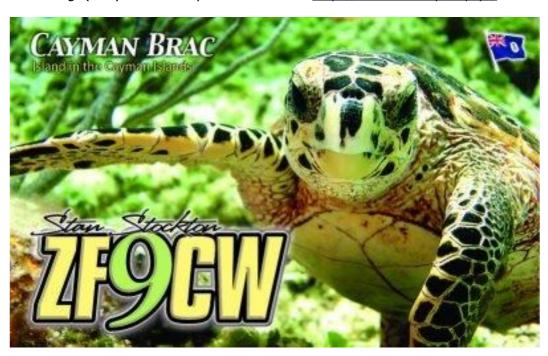
YJ, VANUATU Chris, VK2YUS is once again active as YJ0CA until November 5. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Rich NN3W and Jon K2LA will be operating as ZF2RD and ZF2GP until October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included as ZF2B. Outside the contest Rich is found on HF using CW and SSB, Jon will sign only on CW. QSL via homecalls, LoTW.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Stan, K5GO will once again be operating as ZF9CW for 3.5 months. Operation mainly on CW an entries in various contests.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL Holger, ZL3IO is operating as ZL7IO until after the CQ WW DX SSB contest. QSL via DK7AO, LoTW, Club Log.

ZL7, **CHATHAM ISL** Jacek, SP5EAQ is on a man operation as ZL7/call until begin November. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB only. Jacek mentions that any support from organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated as travel costs have reached an exorbitant level. He also asks you direct any questions to his email address listed on QRZ.com. The QTH in Waitangi (ZL7) has already been secured. http://chathams.sp7dgr.pl/



Coming up soon

5H, TANZANIA Maurizio, IK2GZU will be back as 5H3MB from November 8 until December 8. He will work as a volunteer at the Ikelu hospital. Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call bureau or direct, LoTW.

C6, BAHAMAS Jay, WA1JAY will be operating as call/C6A between November 5-10 from Paradise Island. Activity from 40 to 10 meter on FM, SATS, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW or Club Log. **E6, NIUE** Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF and 6 meter using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

FO/M MARQUESAS ISL A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active as TX7L from Hiva Oa Island during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via F6EXV or Club Log OQRS.

VK9C, COCOS KEELING A team with JA3GEP, JH6RTO, JA1COU and JI1LET will be active as VK9QO between November 3 and November 7. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Sat operation QO-100 and GreenCube. QSL via JI1LET, Sat QSL via JA3GEP.

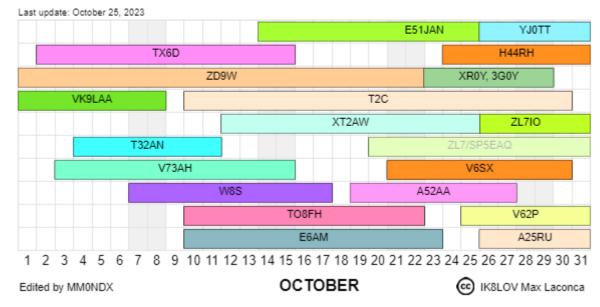
LU, ARGENTINA Look for Hoc LU5BE/P and Enri LU8EFF/P from Rodeo, in the seldom active (WW Loc. FF59kt) in a province of San Juan between November 1-5. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB, CW and FT8 with two stations. QSLs see QRZ.com.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISL A team with JF1OCQ, JA1SVP and JE1SYN will be active as ZL7A during November 9-22. Active from 160 to 6 meter + SAT IO-117 (430mHz). Equipment: 3 x

transceivers, verticals and dipoles for HF. 4 element beam for 50mHz. Modes: SSB, CW, FT (F/H, MSHV), FM. QSL via JF1OCQ (direct).

DXCC timeline





<u>IOTA</u>

This week on air

ASIA

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JI3DST is QRV until December 19. He will operate SSB and CW as JS6RRR, JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 and JR8YLY/6 as well as JI3DST/p, JJ5RBH/p and JR8YLY/p on FT8. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

EUROPE

Road trip by Chris OE6CUD

EU-033 Vesteralen

EU-046 Senja

EU-055 Vaeroy

EU-076 Lofoten

Look for Chris from these islands until end October. Operation as LA/call on HF and QO-100. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

EU-128 Fehmarn Isl Volker is operating as DL1WH/p in 'holiday-style' until October 29. QSL via bureau or direct.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-008 Ellesmere Isl Pierre, VK3KTB and Alexey VE1RUS will be active again as VY0ERC from the Eureka Amateur Radio Club station until November 22. QSL via M0OXO OQRS.



NA-057 Roatan Isl Yuri, VE3DZ is QRV as HQ9A until October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest Yuri will be on HF all bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

OCEANIA

OC-155 Polap Atoll OC-299 Satawal Atoll

Cezar, VE3LYC will be active as V62P from Pulap Atoll (OC-155) from November 1 until November 7, and as V62S from Satawal Atoll (OC-299) on November 9-16. Johan, PA3EXX will be the pilot station: Cezar will be unable to check his personal email account, so "those who wish to make a report or inform me of various issues" should send their messages to willemsen[@]multiweb.nl. Donations to help offset the costs of this complex and expensive project are gratefully accepted: https://v6iota.weebly.com/

OC-042 Luzon Isl Mike, W6QT is active as DU3/call until end January 2024. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and digi.

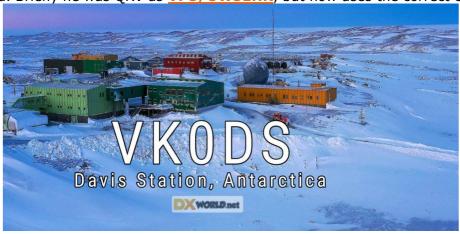
OC-133 Labuan Isl Once again, Saty JE1JKL will be QRV during the CQWW SSB and the CQWW CW contest as 9M6NA. OSL via LoTW and Club Log.

OC-195 Deal Isl Through his work, John VK1POR is now active from Deal island (Furneaux Islands) OC-195 until December 1. He uses an IC-7300 and prefers digimodes. QSL via LoTW.

ANTARCTIC BASES

Davis Base From December 2023 to November 2024, David VK2JDS will occasionally be active from Davis Station, Antarctica using the callsign VK0DS. He hopes to be QRV on HF bands and will also try 2m EME using a single 12el yagi and 100 watts from an IC9700 using JT65A or Q65A-60 (or similar). He mentions that nothing is certain, and weather conditions and station duties will have precedent. David hopes to have LoTW up and running from Davis Station – updates to follow.

Vernadsky Research Base Serhiy, UW5EHR is now active as **EM1U** from Vernadsky Research Base, Antarctica. Briefly he was QRV as **VP8/UW5EHR**, but now uses the correct callsign.



ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

5H, TANZANIA Ferdy, HB9DSP will once again be operating as 5H3FM from Zanzibar between November 24 and December 5. QRV on HF using SSB, FM and FT8. QSL via home call and LoTW. Picture is from a previous 5H3FM operation.



FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Once again, FP/KV1J will be operating between July 2 and July 16, 2024. An entry in the IARU contest is included. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call or LoTW.

P4, ARUBA Mat, DL4MM will be QRV as P4/call and as P40AA during the CQ160 CW contest between January 19 and January 31, 2024. Operation besides the contest from 160 to 10 meter using CW, FT4/8, SSB. QSL via Club Log or home call.

THE REMINDERS

3B8, MAURITIUS David, OK6DJ will be operating as 3B8/call between February 20 and February 27, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and FT8 using a vertical and dipole antenna. QSL via home call, LoTW, OQRS.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu, M0CFW (JK3GAD) will once again be active as 3B9KW during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Activity before/after contest (November 19 to December 1) as 3B9/M0CFW. QSL via LoTW.

3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Ivan, IK3ZAQ and Luca IV3JVJ will be QRV as 3B9AT between December 7 and January 6, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IV3JVJ, LoTW.

4W, TIMOR LESTE A large team of 20+ operators will be operating as 4W8X in November 2023. Operation 24/7 on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. Also EME 144Mhz, 432Mhz and 1296 Mhz. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included. 4W8X will have a 80m 4-Square (controller and cables sponsored by DXEngineering, many thanks). 160m will use a well-proven Titanex V160 Vertical with extensive Radials. Both antennas as close to the ocean as possible. For Receiving, we'll have two Beverages (~250m long) plus filtering/switching network to listen in four directions, independently on 160m and 80m: Europe (short path), North America (short path) Africa, same as North America (long path), South America, same as Europe (long path) 4W8X will also have two 40m 4-Squares and two 30m 4-Squares, TNX to DXEngineering. We'll not only have the equipment, we'll also have the right operators to make the best out of it. Low Band captain is Dietmar, DL3DXX. And we have quite some other Low Band freaks in the team. **5N, NIGERIA** The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N5N. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.

Back in time...5R8M Nosy Be Islandn Madagascar 2014 operation



5X, UGANDA Thomas, DL7BO will be active as 5X7O from Kampala. Dates not yet known. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DJ6TF. More to follow. **7P, LESOTHO** The EIDXG team will after the success of 9N7EI, 7Q7EI, 5V7EI and V26EI now be operating as 7P8EI in early 2024. A team of 15 will be QRV from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via M0OXO. More to follow.

8R, GUYANA "Four young ambitious DXers ranging in age from 20 to 25 years old" (namely Sven DJ4MX, Philipp DK6SP, Tomi HA8RT and Jamie M0SDV) will be active from Guyana during February 14-24, 2024 (callsign TBA). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. The Northern California DX Foundation will provide \$5,000 in financial support for the expedition, as they "want to encourage the next generation of DXpeditioners". NCDXF wants also "to let any planned DXpedition know that, if they request funding from NCDXF and we provide a grant, we will also underwrite the costs of a younger (ages 20-35) person/s on the trip". https://8r-2024.com/

9L, SIERRA LEONE Shabu, M0KRI will be operating as 9L5M from November 23 until December 6. Activity from 80 to 6 meter, Q0100 SAT using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via G3SVK, LoTW and Club Log.



9U, BURUNDI Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

CEOZ, JUAN FERNANDEZ A team with Nick XQ1KZ, Pablo CE1KV, Willy XQ3SA, Willy XQ3SK,

Mike AB5EB, Ez HI3R, Otis NP4G, Mike AD5A, Zoli HA1AG, Trey N5KO and Marco CE1EW (Team Leader) will be operating as CB0ZA during February 13-20, 2024. Plans are to be QRV from the Juan Fernandez National Park CA-0022 from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB, digi and EME (6 and 2 meter). QSL via HA1AG. http://cb0za.com/

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.

FH, MAYOTTE Marek, FH4VVK will be operating as TO4VV during March 29-31, April 5-7, April 12-14 and April 20-21, 2024. Operation using SSB and FT8. QSL direct, LoTW or Club Log.

FJ, ST BARTHELEMY Look for TOOT (KB9DVB, KB9DVC and KC9SNM) between November 22-29. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Outside the contest the will operate as FJ/calls on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via KB9DVC.

FOO, AUSTRAL ISL Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX5G between March 25 and April 3, 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW. https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/

FOO, CLIPPERTON ISL The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. https://clip.pdxg.net/

FS, ST MARTIN Philip, K0CD will be QRV s FS/call during the CQWW CW contest. Perhaps he might be active a few days before and after the contest. QSL via home call.

FT/G GLORIOSO ISL Mark, FH4VVK will be active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL later this year. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. A website is under construction.

FT/X, KERGUELEN It's apparently no secret that Thierry F6CUK of FT8WW fame plans (emphasis on plans) to go with a second operator to the Kerguelen Islands in late 2024. Wait and see for more..

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19,the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. http://www.to5t.com/



FS, ST MARTIN The next TO9W will take place from November 26 until December 8. The 2023 team includes K9NU, N9EP, FS4WBS, W9AP and K9EL. Operation on all bands and all modes with focus on low bands and CW. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Real-time upload via Club Log, LoTW or via W9ILY direct. https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Jacky ZL3CW will be operating as FW2CW during November 20-30. It's a CW only operation with focus on the WARC bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

H4, SOLOMON ISL A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. http://www.h44wa.com/

H40, TEMOTU The Intrepid DX Group has released their next Dxpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between February 22 and March 7, 2024. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. Temotu 2023 Dxpedition – Intrepid DX Group (intrepid-dx.com)

J3, GRENADA A team of Belgian low band DXers with Franky ON7RU, Marc ON4MA, Marc ON6CC, Pascal ONRA, Patrick ON4HIL and Karel ON5TN will be QRV during March 4-16, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. More to follow.

J6, ST LUCIA A team with J68HZ, J69DS, WA4PGM and W0CN will be active as J62K during the CQWW SSB contest (October 28-29). QSL via K9HZ.

J7, DOMINICA Laurent, FM5BH will once again be QRV as J79BH between January 17 and January 24. Activity from 160 to 40 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log. At the same time, David F8AAN will be joining Laurent as J79AN. QSL via Club Log. J8, ST VINCENT Gert, PA2LO will once again be QRV as J8TT between December 26 and January 5. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

OX, GREENLAND Look for the OX7A crew from Black Ridge, Kangerlussuaq between November 21 and November 28. Operation on HF using SSB, CW and digi. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included as OX7AM.

PJ4, BONAIRE PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/KU8E, PJ4/N8VW and PJ4/K3MD will be active during November 21-28. An entry in the CQWW CW contest (Nov 25-26) as PJ4A is included. QSL: PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI & PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI. Others via homecalls.

PJ7, ST MAARTEN Tom, AA9A will once again be QRV as PJ7AA between March 2 and March 10, 2024. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS. PJ7, ST MAARTEN Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV in 'holiday-style' between November 20-29 as PJ7EE. Activity on HF primarily on CW using a vertical antenna. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

PYOT, TRINDADE Fabio PY1ZV, Stephano PT2IC and Breto PY6RT will be QRV as PR0T for about 3 days sometime November 2023. The on-site team (PY1ZV, PT2IC and PY6RT) will operate SSB and CW from the main camp; the FT8 station, located 300-400m away, will be operated remotely by ten other amateurs. QSL via M00XO's OQRS. http://www.pr0t.com.br/home/



S7, SEYCHELLES A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls.

T8, PALAU A JA team with JH6WDG (as T88AQ), JA6KYU (as T88HS), JR6DRH (as T88RH) and JA6EGL (as T88SM) will be active from the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror, Palau during January 12-18, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via operators instructions. **T8, PALAU** Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be QRV as T88PB during November 10-13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the JIDX contest is included. QSL via home call.

TY, BENIN Gerard F5NVF, Abdel 7X2TT and Luc F5RAV will be active as TY5C from Cotonou during March 2024. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. They are looking for support for the local radio club TY0HQ.

V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS Jeff, K1ZN (author of Nifty E-Z Guide to Adventures in DXing) will be active as V4/call during February 25 and March 4. Operation on various bands. QSL via home call.

V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS Bob, WX4G will be active as V47RB between November 20 and December 1. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included as V48A. Operation outside the contest from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

V5, NAMIBIA Gunter DK2WH will be active as V51WH from November 16 until April 2024. QTH near Omaruru. Operation from 160 to 10 meter, 60 also included. During contests look for Gunter as V55Y.

V6, MICRONESIA A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW. **VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL** Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI (both previously A35V, V6Z, VK9CZ, ZK2V) will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XGM during November 21 to December 5, 2023. Two stations active on SSB/CW. Also one station active on FT8 or FT4. Multi-two entry in the CQWW CW Contest 2023. 'VK9XGM will be running two separate stations. How we divide our activity between CW, SSB and FT4/8 will depend on a number of factors including conditions, QSO balances and operator fatigue!'

VP2M, MONTSERRAT Thaire, W2APF will once again be active as VP2MDX between January 11 and April 11, 2024. Operation on HF using BuddiPole portable Hexbeam, Doublet for 30M, Endfed for 40M. QSL via home call,LoTW.



VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl sometime June 2024. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL A team with K2KW, KD4D, AG9A and W9RE will be QRV as VP2VMM from Anegada between December 4 and December 12. An entry in the ARRL 10m contest is included. Outside the contest they will sign as VP2V/calls. QSL for VP2VMM via KU9C and LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

VP9, BERMUDA Darrell, AB2E will once again be QRV as call/VP9 between February 14-19, 2024. Operation primarily in the ARRL DX CW contest. Before and after that from 160 to 10

meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

XW, LAOS A French team with F4BKV Vincent, F4HAU Diego, F2DX Patrick, F5PTM Pascal and F8AVK Julien will be operating as XW4DX. Activity between November 16 and November 27 with possible an entry in the CQWW CW contest. QRV on HF except 80 and 30 meter. Focus will be 160 and 40 meter. QSL via F4BKV, bureau or direct, Club Log, LoTW. https://xw4dx.f4bkv.net/

YJ, VANUATU A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15. YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO

ZC4, CYPRUS SBA Dates still to be firmed up, however Martin MW0BRO will be active from Cyprus Sovereign Base Area as ZC4GW next March or April. Martin's main mode of operation is CW. QSL via home call.

ZD7, ST HELENA Chris HB9FIY will once again be active as ZD7CA for a few weeks in December 2023 / January 2024. He asks what are the most wanted bands /modes from ZD7. QSL via EA5GL.

IOTA

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Max, N5NHJ will be active as HQ9CW from Sandy Bay between November 22-29. This is a CW only operation from 20 to 6 meter using a vertical with 100 watts. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via home call and LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

ASIA

AS-107 Samet Isl E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-057 Roatan Isl Alex, K6VHF will once again be active as call/HR9 between November 21-28. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW.

OCEANIA

OC-011 Chuuk Isl A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

VK, AUSTRALIA Tom, VK2WN (SP7WT) will be active as **AX37EUDXF** between 15 October and 30 November to celebrate the 37th anniversary of the European DX Foundation. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, Club Log's OQRS. He does not use the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

THE REMINDERS

3A, MONACO Operators from Monaco will be active with the callsign **3A70ARM** to celebrate the 70th anniversary of their national ham radio organisation <u>during October</u>. QSL via bureau. The recently active callsigns 3A2CB and 3A2LE were both pirates. (TNX DXNL)

9A, CROATIA 9A66AA is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Radio amateurs from Rostock celebrate the 125th anniversary of the lighthouse Warnemuende with the callsign **DQ125LH** (special DOK 125LH) <u>until the end of October</u>. QSL via bureau, direct, DCL, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY DARC Team SES will be active as DL110RG from 1 September to 31 December

for the 100th anniversary of the German Life Saving Association (Deutsche Lebens-Rettungs-Gesellschaft, the largest voluntary water rescue organization in the world), and as DL75BRD from 1 September to 30 June 2024 for the 75th anniversary since the Basic Law for the Federal Republic of Germany (Grundgesetz fuer die Bundesrepublik Deutschland) came into effect (23 May 1949). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign **DB100RDF** is in use <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX)

Alex, K6VHF (YJ0NA) on his way to join the rest of the team.



EI, IRELAND Between 1 September and 31 August 2024 **EI4FOTA** will be active from all around Ireland - including SOTA and POTA locations, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, lighthouses and IOTA islands. Apparently the first operation will be on 17-24 September from the Giant's Causeway - which is in Northern Ireland (GI), though; then on 5-15 October from the Blasket Islands (EU-007). (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE The Radio Club de Wingles (F4KLR) will be active as **TM125ED** between 4 November and 31 December. The special callsign commemorates the 125th anniversary since radio pioneer Eugene Ducretet gave a public demonstration of wireless communication between the Eiffel Tower and the Pantheon 4 km away (5 November 1898). All CW and SSB QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eQSL, FT8 QSOs will be confirmed via eQSL only; direct cards via F4KLR. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Once again the Radio Club de Nice will be active as **TM8AB** to commemorate the anniversary of the first transatlantic amateur two-way contact between Leon Deloy, F8AB and Fred

Schnell, 1MO (28 November 1923). Look for activity on 80-10 metres SSB, CW, FT8 and SSTV during the weekends between 28 October and 10 December. QSL via F4KJQ. (TNX 425DX) **F, FRANCE** Special callsigns to be active at various times during the 2023 Rugby World Cup hosted by France from 8 September to 28 October include **TM23RBY** (QSL via F8EFU and LoTW), **TM23RUGB** (QSL via F5KHG), and **TM63RWC** (QSL via F4KLW). (TNX 425DX) **I, ITALY** Members of ARI Pordenone and ARI Belluno will be active as **II3RDV** on 1-31 October. The special callsign memorializes the 60th anniversary of the Vajont Dam disaster (9 October 1963, when a massive landslide plunged into the reservoir, causing a 250-metre high megatsunami that killed some 2000 people). QSL via IV3EHH. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY Celebrating the centenary of the National Park of Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise, special callsign **II6PN** will be in use <u>between 1 August and 31 October</u>, with main activity expected to take place on 1-17 September. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via IK6IHU. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

I, ITALY The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:

October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931) November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)

<u>December</u>: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931) For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available.(TNX DXNL)

On the scene...Nabin 9N2NK Nepal



LA, NORWAY LA100K is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX) LX, LUXEMBOURG LX90RTL is a special callsign celebrating the 90th anniversary since Radio Luxembourg made its first long wave broadcast. It will be used by various LX operators from 1 July until the end of the year. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via satellite. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. (TNX 425DX) LZ, BULGARIA Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2023 to

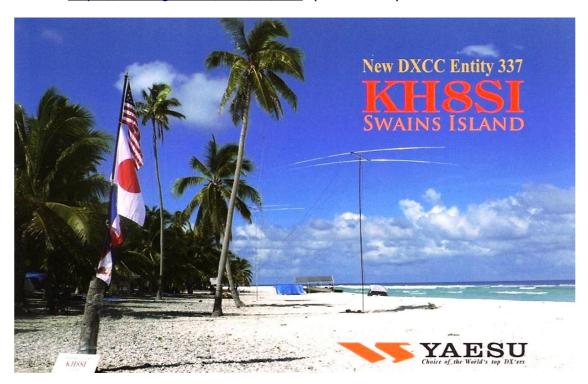
honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ288MS** (October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at https://www.lz1kcp.com/. (TNX 425DX)

OE, AUSTRIA OE40XTU is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien

(the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM The ONZ Oostkust Radioclub (ON6HC) will be active on all bands and modes as **OR79CLM** between 13 October and 12 November, with main operations taking place on 3-5 November. The special callsign's suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the Belgian town of Knokke on 1 November 1944. QSL via the bureau. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

ON, BELGIUM OQ95RCL is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713 (TNX 425DX)



PA, THE NETHERLANDS Dutch members of the European DX Foundation will operate special callsigns **PA37EUDXF, PB37EUDXF, PC37EUDXF, PD37EUDXF, PE37EUDXF, PF37EUDXF, PG37EUDXF, PH37EUDXF** and **PI37EUDXF** between 1 and 30 November to celebrate the EUDXF's 37th anniversary. QSL PH37EUDXF via PA2TMS; QSL other callsigns via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS (preferred), or via PA1AW. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85th anniversary with the callsign PA85TP <u>during 2023</u> and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (<u>pd5enj@msn.com</u>). (TNX DXNL) **SM, SWEDEN 8S80AA** is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary <u>throughout 2023</u>. More information can be found on https://www.sk5aa.se/. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)

TA, TURKEY Celebrating the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100, TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA Operated by a number of YL operators in Tasmania (VK7) and around the rest of Australia, special callsign **VI7ALARA** is active on the HF bands <u>until 8 November</u> to mark the Australian Ladies Amateur Radio Association's meet (http://www.alara.org.au/) to be held in Hobart. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VK100ZL celebrates the first trans-Tasmanian radio contact between New Zealand and Australia in 1923. QRV <u>until the end of 2023</u>.

VK, AUSTRALIA VI100MB is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until <u>25 February 2024</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA "Amateur Radio", the official journal of the Wireless Institute of Australia, will reach 90 years of continuous publication in October. To mark this milestone, the WIA has obtained the special event call sign **VK90AR** for use <u>until 31 December</u> by any member of the WIA as well

as any affiliated club. QSL via LoTW and M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI75G is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI10VKFF is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (https://www.wwffaustralia.com/). It will be used from Australian Parks <u>until end 2023</u>. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

VU, INDIA Look for **AT30IIH** to be active <u>until 31 December</u> to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Indian Institute of Hams, whose focus is to train and bring young people into the amateur radio community (https://www.indianhams.com/). QSL via the bureau or direct, or via eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

XE, MEXICO 6E0G is a special event callsign that puts Ghost Towns on the Air <u>until Dec. 17</u>. QSL via XE1EE, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

YU, SERBIA The Serbian Amateur Radio Union in the Vojvodina celebrates its 75th anniversary with the callsign **YU75SRV** throughout 2023. QSL via Club Log, eQSL, qrz.com.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND Active from 1 October to 31 May 2024, **ZL6WG** is a special event callsign promoting the 98th NZART annual conference that will be held in Christchurch on 1-2 June next year. QSL via LoTW; paper cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX) https://hamradio.co.nz/award/

